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1. Following the arrival in Paris of Viorel Tilea, former Rumanian Minister to London, a "Secretariat for Europe", composed of Leontin Constantinescu and Nicolae Furlugeanu, was formed under Tilea's direction. Upon his return to London Tilea began to put out invitations to join this "Secretariat".
2. Pressure is being exerted to cause various Rumanian groups in Paris to join Radescu's "Union of Free Rumanians". The "Association of Rumanian Journalists" has refused the invitation. General Radescu has requested the president and secretary of the "Rumanian Students Association" to call a meeting of that organization for an open vote on a proposal that it join the "Union". These officials have been told that a vote against adherence to the "Union" will result in the termination of scholarships and will be interpreted as showing a lack of patriotism on the part of the students. P. Sergiescu, of the "Association of Rumanian Professors" was offered a subsidy of 300,000 French francs if that organization would join the "Union".
3. On 3 November General Radescu met with thirty or forty Rumanian emigres at the apartment of L. Rautu. Radescu read a letter from Grigore Gafencu and the text of an appeal to be broadcast from London and New York.

(Washington Comment: Reference is apparently made to General Radescu's statement on his "Union of Free Rumanians" which was recently broadcast to Rumania by the Voice of America.)

Radescu pointed out the obligation of his hearers to join his "Union", which he described as a non-political group. He then proposed that his listeners sign this appeal with him. Of those present only Nicolae Dima added a reservation that he favors a union of Rumanians but does not as yet recognize Radescu's organization.

4. Gafensu's letter which was read to the gathering by Radescu, reportedly paid homage to Radescu but recommended that the publication of his appeal be delayed until the General returned to the United States where he could be advised by his friends and could inform the State Department.
5. Among the Rumanian emigres attending the session with General Radescu on 3 November were the following:

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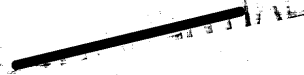
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Nicolae Dinaru, former diplomat
G. Aurelian, former diplomat
Gheorge Caranfil, brother of Nicolae Caranfil
D. Hiott, former diplomat
Dan Geblescu, former diplomat
Constantin Marinescu, former professor
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